## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A dispersible composition comprising a polymer compound, a functional substance, and a solvent or a dispersion medium, the polymer compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the general formula (1)

wherein A is a straight-chain or branched alkylene group of 1 to 15 carbon atoms with or without

10 substitution; m is an integer of 0 to 30, and when m is 2 or more, A is the same or different each other;

B is a single bond or an alkylene with or without substitution; D is a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic ring structure; n is an integer of 1 to 10,

15 and when n is 2 or more, D is the same or different with each other.

- The composition according to claim 1,
   wherein the polymer compound further contains a
   residue selected from the group consisting of
   carboxylic acid ester, carboxylic acid and carboxylic
   acid salt.
  - 3. The composition according to claim 1,

wherein the polymer compound is amphipathic.

4. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polymer compound is a block polymer.

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5. The composition according to claim 4, wherein the monomer unit of the general formula (1) is incorporated in a hydrophobic block segment of the polymer compound.

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- 6. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the functional substance is encapsulated in the polymer compound.
- 7. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the functional substance is a colorant.
- 8. A toner composition comprising a polymer compound, a colorant, and a dispersion medium, the polymer compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the general formula (1)

wherein A is a straight-chain or branched alkylene group of 1 to 15 carbon atoms with or without

substitution; m is an integer of 0 to 30, and when m is 2 or more, A is the same or different each other; B is a single bond or an alkylene with or without substitution; D is a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic ring structure; n is an integer of 1 to 10, and when n is 2 or more, D is the same or different with each other.

An ink composition comprising a polymer
 compound, a colorant and a solvent, the polymer
 compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the
 general formula (1)

- ( 
$$CH_2 - CH$$
 ) - | O ( $AO$ ) m B ( $D$ ) n

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10. The ink composition according to claim 9,

wherein the polymer compound further comprises a residue selected from the group consisting carboxylic acids, carboxylic acid esters and carboxylic acid salts.

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- 11. An image forming method comprising a step of applying a dispersible composition according to claim 1 onto a recording medium to form an image.
- 10 12. A block polymer compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the general formula (1)

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$$CH_2 - CH$$
 ) - | O (AO)<sub>m</sub> B (D)<sub>n</sub>

wherein A is a straight-chain or branched alkylene group of 1 to 15 carbon atoms with or without substitution; m is an integer of 0 to 30, and when m is 2 or more, A is the same or different each other; B is a single bond or an alkylene with or without substitution; D is a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic ring structure; n is an integer of 1 to 10, and when n is 2 or more, D is the same or different with each other,

wherein the block polymer further comprises a residue selected from the group consisting carboxylic acids, carboxylic acid esters and carboxylic acid salts.